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P.O. Box 1450

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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Sir:

Responsive to the Requirement for Restriction set forth in the

Communication mailed March 1, 2005, applicants hereby provisionally elect, with traverse, to prosecute the claims of Group I, namely claims 1-9. This election is made with traverse since it is believed since it is believed the claims of Groups I and II are sufficiently closely related as to permit their consideration in a single application. In the event that the Examiner maintains her requirement, applicants respectfully reserve the right to file one or more divisional applications directed to their non-elected claims.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required in connection with this submission to Deposit Account No. 23-0785.

Respectfully submitted,

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Application No. 10/627,222 Amendment dated March 18, 2005 Reply to Office Action of March 1, 2005

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